

# **David Dale Owen letter S1714**

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## Summary Information

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<b>Repository</b>	Rare Books and Manuscripts
<b>Creator</b>	Owen, David Dale, 1807-1860
<b>Title</b>	David Dale Owen letter
<b>Date</b>	1859/03/08
<b>Extent</b>	0.01 Cubic feet 1 folder
<b>Language</b>	English
<b>Text [Folder]</b>	S1714

### Preferred Citation

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## Biographical Note

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David Dale Owen was born June 24, 1807 at Braxfield House near New Lanark, Scotland to Robert and Anne Owen. His father was the social reformer who purchased the town of New Harmony, Indiana in 1825. David moved to New Harmony in 1828 and it remained his home for the rest of his life. In 1833 he began studying medicine at the Ohio Medical College in Cincinnati and graduated in 1836. Though he never practiced medicine, he became a renowned geologist and served as the state geologist for Indiana, Kentucky and Arkansas and performed geological surveys for the federal government. He died on November 13, 1860.

### Sources:

FindaGrave.com. "David Dale Owen." *Find a Grave Index*. Accessed August 19, 2016. <http://www.findagrave.com/>.

*Sketch of the Life of David Dale Owen, M.D.* N.p.: American Geologist, 1889.

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## Scope and Contents

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This collection contains a letter written by David Dale Owen to J.H. McChesney and dated March 8, 1859. The letter was written in regard to Mr. McChesney's inquiry about Kentucky's geology report and Owen's field notes.

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## Arrangement

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This collection is arranged by chronologically.

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## Administrative Information

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### Publication Information

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## Controlled Access Headings

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### Genre(s)

- Correspondence

### Geographic Name(s)

- Kentucky

### Subject(s)

- Geological surveys